GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR COLD STORAGE
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Uttar Pradesh has been deprived of Central assistance for cold storages and other schemes for the last one year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when it is likely to be released?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. The Government of India, through National Horticulture Board (NHB), is providing financial assistance for establishment of cold storages in the country including Uttar Pradesh. NHB through its scheme, `Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction / Expansion / Modernisation of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce` has sanctioned 41 cold storage projects with the eligible back-ended capital investment subsidy of Rs.11.25 crores in the state of Uttar Pradesh during the year 2002-03. The Scheme is demand based.

Also, under other Centrally Sponsored Schemes of the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, an allocation of Rs.93.37 crores has been made for the State of Uttar Pradesh forthe year 2002-03. Out of this, Rs.89.99 crores (approx.) has been released to the State during the year 2002-2003. As on 1.4.2002, an amount of Rs.24.29 crores was lying as unspent balance with the State.